# **Lava Beds National Monument Ranger-Guided Interpretive Programs**



# July 3 – July 9, 2014

#### **THURSDAY 7/3**

10:00 am Take a walk through history and explore Captain Jacks Stronghold with Ranger Jesse. Wear good hiking shoes and bring your hat, sunscreen and water.

**2:00 pm - Sunshine Cave** – Embark on an expedition through **Sunshine Cave** with Ranger Mary to gain an understanding of its violent geologic past as well as its unique ecological present.

#### FRIDAY 7/4

10:00 am - Take a walk through history and explore Captain Jacks Stronghold with Ranger Joe. Wear good hiking shoes and bring your hat, sunscreen and water.

**2:00 pm - Sentinel Cave**— Journey through the vascular system of the Medicine Lake Volcano with Ranger Nico and witness the complexity of its interior.

### **SATURDAY 7/5**

10:00 am – Walk into the Wild: Hike alongside Ranger Mary through the wilderness of Lava Beds and learn about the monuments wild side!

2:00 pm - Hercules Leg- Join Ranger Steve on a tour of Hercules Leg cave and discover how volcanoes and their eruptions form the foundation of life on Earth.

**3:30 pm - Sentinel Cave**— Journey through the vascular system of the Medicine Lake Volcano with Ranger Nico and witness the complexity of its interior

### **SUNDAY 7/6**

**10:00 am - Covert Carnivores -** Ranger Nico will tell you all about the animals that are at the top of the food web at Lava Beds. **2:00 pm -** Walk in the footsteps of the first tourists to Lava Beds on the way to **Balcony Cave** with Ranger Marybeth. Experience the geologic environment and examine early 20<sup>th</sup> century views of recreation, refuge, and romance.

3:30 pm Valentine Cave- Venture forth with Ranger Jesse through Valentine Cave and learn about caves and cave life.

### **MONDAY 7/7**

10:00 am - Walk with Ranger Marybeth to Fleener Chimneys to witness the source of the lava of the Devils Homestead flow. Experience how these unique features were created as you imagine the destruction that began here thousands of years ago. 2:00 pm - Sunshine Cave — Embark on an expedition through Sunshine Cave with Ranger Mary to gain an understanding of its violent geologic past as well as its unique ecological present.

#### **TUESDAY 7/8**

10:00 am am – Walk into the Wild: Hike alongside Ranger Mary through the wilderness of Lava Beds and learn about the monuments wild side!

2:00 pm - Hercules Leg- Join Ranger Steve on a tour of Hercules Leg cave and discover how volcanoes and their eruptions form the foundation of life on Earth.

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## **WEDNESDAY 7/9**

10:00 am - Of Life and Lava: Walk with Ranger Steve at Black Crater and discover the complicated relationship between the violence of volcanic eruptions and Earth's complex flora and fauna. Please meet at the Black Crater

**2:00pm** - Walk in the footsteps of the first tourists to Lava Beds on the way to **Balcony Cave** with Ranger Marybeth. Experience the geologic environment and examine early 20<sup>th</sup> century views of recreation, refuge, and romance.

• Porch Talks will meet at 10:00 am at the Visitor Center. Programs will last 30-45 minutes.

- Stronghold/Petroglyph Point/ Nature Walks meet at 10:00 am at location of walk. Programs will last 1-1 ½ hours. Bring sun protection and water.
- Cave tours meet at the Visitor Center at 2:00pm (Sometimes 3:30pm). There is a maximum limit—pick up a reservation card at the Visitor Center the day of your tour! Tours last 1-1 ½ hours. Closed-shoes, flashlights, and head protection required. Lights and hard hats are available at the Visitor Center. Cave difficulty varies. Inquire at the Visitor Center.
- Tule Lake Unit Tour (2½ hr.) This tour meets at 1:00 pm at the Tule Lake Visitor Center located at the Tulelake Fair Grounds and is limited to 20 people. For more information or to reserve a spot call 530-260-0537.